

DISCIPLINE

Warden O'Robert, solely, is responsible for the authorization of any punishment. A punishment book is kept, no entries. Warden O'Schultz explained that boys in such an age group under his care do not get into serious trouble. Therefore, punishment considered serious enough to record, does not occur.

MANUAL TRAINING

A special hobby room is well equipped with hand and circular saws and lathes. This is operated by a brother. Various vices, clamps, first-aid kit and tools are efficiently arranged on low benches. In this hobby room the boys are taught the fundamentals of carpentry and from the quality of the work which surrounds the room, I could see evidence of potential carpenters. Articles made are free to be taken to parents and friends. Fluorescent tubes supply good lighting.

ARTS



About 30 cows are run on the farm. At present 10 are being milked. The dairy is all under concrete and the equipment particularly clean. The milk room has a steam sterilizer and is completely fly-proof. Occasionally a pig is killed for the institution, but they are mainly for sale.

GAZEBOS & GARDENS



GARDENS & LAWN (Contd.)

These are particularly well planned and the trees, shrubs and flowers give a real parkland effect. Neatly kept rockeries add to the setting. A combined aviary and aquarium must capture the attention of the children. A playing quadrangle with a concrete surface is lit at night and is available for the boys to use.

Another feature is an impressive shrine built in honour of the Virgin Mary.

TRANSPORT

A bus and truck are sufficient to cope with the transport. The institution car is always available for emergencies. Riverton buses run close by. There is no problem here.

SECURITY

Normal fire control, precautions are taken. The W.A.F.B. inspect and maintain the equipment to their requirements. Employees of the institution are insured under the Workers' Compensation Act. Moving machinery is out of bounds to the children.

CONVICTS

Castledare can be considered as a "big" institution. The objects are to complete the elementary primary education of its inmates in order that when they reach the age of ten or eleven they can be transferred to a senior institution for further training.

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